

Mr. Powell, et al.;

True protection of democracy and free speech can only come from open access to newspapers, television broadcast and cable from a diverse range of voices. Lifting the cross-ownership ban on media only increases corporate consolidation and reduces overall access to the public airwaves by the people to whom they truly belong - the American people.

I urge you to truly support democracy and freedom, now more than ever, by retaining and even strengthening the cross-ownership ban.